Forest Land-Chandrapur

Diversion of 1.1903 ha. Forest land in favour of M/s. Telesonic Network Limited, Nagpur for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within RoW of existing NH-930 (Ajaypur to Chandrapur km 251/820 to km 271/420) MDR-21 Chiroli to Ajaypur (km 34/30 to km 19/00) and NH-930 Mul to Janada (km 230/850 to 239/250)

Government of Maharashtra

Revenue and Forest Department

Government Order No.: FLD-2022/CR-25/F-10

Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032

Date: 14.03.2022

Reference:

1. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, MS, Nagpur Letter No. Desk-17/ Nodal/ Chandrapur/ID-12937/2174/21-22, dt.21.01.2022

Preamble:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, MS, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 1.1903 ha. Forest land in favour of M/s. Telesonic Network Limited, Nagpur for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within RoW of existing NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) road (Chainage- km 50/00 to km 100/00).

Order:-

In exercise of powers under general approval given by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Handbook of FCA Guidelines-2019, Chapter 4 (para-4.2), Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **'In-Principle'** approval to the diversion of 0.17657 ha. Forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within Right of Way (RoW) of existing NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) road (Chainage- km 50/00 to km 100/00).

The details of Forest Land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Item	Name of the Village	Compt.	Survey No.	Length x width (in meter)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1	Laying of Underground Optical Fiber Cable along NH-930 (Ajaypur to	Chandrapur	403		2219.33 X 0.5	0.11097	Reserved Forest
2		Chandrapur	398		1146.27 X 0.5	0.05731	
3		Chandrapur	397		659.40 X 0.5	0.03297	

4	Chandrapur km	Chandrapur	576		201.00 X 0.5	0.01005	
5	ch.251/820 to km 271/420)	Chandrapur	541		307.22 X 0.5	0.01536	
6	MDR-21 (Chiroli to Ajaypur km	Chandrapur	395		1951.56 X 0.5	0.09758	
7	34/30 to 19/00) and	Chandrapur	394		2080.81 X 0.5	0.10404	
8	NH-930 Mul to Janada Km	Ghantachauki	520		2689.83 X 0.5	0.13449	
9	230/850 to 239/250	Walani	422		1010.11 X 0.5	0.05051	
10		Chichpalli	530		1267.13 X 0.5	0.06336	
11		Walni	632		309.59 X 0.5	0.01548	Protected Forest
12		Ajaypur	639		2096.00 X 0.5	0.10480	Protected Forest
13		Walni	519		692.00 X 0.5	0.03460	Reserved Forest
14		Kelzar	701	62	380.05 X 0.5	0.01900	Protected
15		Kelzar	701	61	31.97 X 0.5	0.00160	Forest
16		Kelzar	701	27	135.21 X 0.5	0.00676	
17		Kelzar	701	22	94.64 X 0.5	0.00473	
18		Kelzar	701	23	47.31 X 0.5	0.00237	
19		Kelzar	701	24	86.12 X 0.5	0.00431	
20		Kelzar		297	58.05 X 0.5	0.00290	Unclass Forest
21		Chak Chiroli	692	1	213.60 X 0.5	0.01068	Protected Forest
22		Chak Chiroli	692	4	136.76 X 0.5	0.00684	
23		Chak Chiroli	692	9	83.03 X 0.5	0.00415	
4		Kantapeth Ryt	717	36	997.24 X 0.5	0.04986	
		Kantapeth	717		330.00 X 0.5	0.01650	

Total Area (in ha)						1.19039	
27		Janala	522		2351.69 X 0.5	0.11758	Forest
26		Janala	353		2231.75 X 0.5	0.11159	Reserved
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2. This 'in-principle' approval is issued subject to the following conditions-

- 1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) The Optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 2.00 meters depth & **0.50** meter width with cable line under the PVC pipeline.
- 3) The cost of Net Present Value of Forest land shall be exempted.
- 4) The User Agency shall defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- 5) Compensatory Afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 2.4 ha. degraded forest land at Compt. No. 403, Babupeth Beat, Round Chandrapur, Range Chandrapur in Chandrapur Forest Division.
- 6) The land under project will be reclaimed by the User Agency for which the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs.50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, the cost for reclamation will be covered from the bank guarantee.
- 7) If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running meter. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs.300/- per meter and Rs.750/- per meter respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the User Agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/ Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.
- 8) For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required.
- 9) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal.
- 10) No felling of trees shall be done during the implementation of project.
- 11) No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.
- 12) The User Agency shall pay the cost of Net Present Value, if required in future.
- 13) Underground Optical Fiber Cable can be laid only outside the confines of the Protected Areas.
- 14) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.

- 15) After completion of the project, User Agency will reclaim the area under RoW suitably.
- 16) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the State Government.
- 17) This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the project and concerned PWD authorities for the project.
- 18) The User Agency shall compensate the private owners of forest land if any, in accordance with the prevalent laws, rules & guidelines.
- 19) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- 20) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines shall be complied by the User Agency.
- 21) All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on User Agency.
- 22) The User Agency shall make good of any loss to Forest / Environment.
- 23) The proposed area is 0.00 km from Buffer Zone of TATR & within Eco-Sensitive Zone of TATR, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) shall check whether Wildlife Clearance, mitigation measures required for this project. If yes, working permission cannot be given unless compliance of the same is done by the User Agency.
- 24) In case, the proposed area falls in the RoW of the road passing through National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries, prior permission of the State Board for Wildlife should be obtained.
- 25) The Final approval shall be granted by the State Government after fulfillment of the above conditions by the User Agency. The actual diversion of forest land shall be effected thereafter by the Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur.
- 26) Any breach of the conditions by the User Agency will be treated as violation of the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 3. This Government Order is available at the Government of Maharashtra's website www.maharashtra.gov.in with reference No. 202203141821443219. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:-

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi

- 2. Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
- 3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), M.S, Nagpur
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- 5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO (Maha-CAMPA), M.S., Nagpur
- 6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
- 7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
- 8. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Chandrapur
- 9. Collector, Chandrapur
- 10. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Chandrapur
- 11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chandrapur
- 12. M/s. Telesonic Network Limited, Nagpur
- 13. Select File-F-10